

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Sunday 16 Jan 2022 until 23:59 on Monday 17 Jan 2022

Forecast Issued on Saturday 15 Jan 2022 at 16:24 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for Sunday. High for a lot of dry weather into the coming week, but low detail of any rain on Tuesday.

Headline for Sunday 16 Jan 2022: Cold and windy, a few passing wintry showers mainly in the north

Mountain weather hazards on Sunday 16 Jan 2022

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
							
Sleet	Light snow	Cloudy	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)	Clear night
Precipitation probability							
00%	40%	10%	20%	20%	10%	10%	00%

Forecast for Sunday 16 Jan 2022

Weather: A brief period of mostly light rain or summit snow expected in the early hours, then becoming dry with clearing skies by dawn. Then Sunday will see a lot of dry weather although a few wintry showers possible these chiefly across Caithness and Sutherland.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 80%

Visibility: Generally very good with great air clarity out of cloud. Some patchy cloud down to 700 metres at times chiefly in the north, and some capping cloud around 900 metres or above elsewhere.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	36/44 SW	32/39 NW	26/33 NW	22/28 NW	27/35 W	31/40 W	34/44 W	31/40 W	27/36 W
900	34/42 SW	30/38 NW	25/32 NW	21/27 NW	26/34 W	30/38 W	32/42 W	29/38 W	26/35 W
600	23/31 SW	19/28 NW	15/23 NW	13/19 NW	17/25 W	20/29 W	22/32 W	20/29 W	18/27 SW
300	7/31 SW	9/30 NW	7/24 NW	7/22 NW	9/27 W	8/29 W	8/31 W	8/28 W	7/25 W
Glen	13/28 SW	10/23 NW	6/18 NW	7/17 NW	11/22 W	11/22 W	10/21 W	8/18 W	8/17 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	1/-7	-2/-11	-2/-10	-2/-10	-2/-11	-2/-11	-1/-10	-0/-8	0/-7
900	2/-6	-1/-9	-1/-9	-2/-9	-2/-10	-1/-10	-0/-9	1/-7	1/-6
600	4/-2	1/-5	1/-4	1/-4	1/-5	1/-5	2/-4	3/-3	3/-2
300	6/3	4/0	3/1	3/0	4/0	4/1	4/2	5/2	5/2
Glen	8/5	6/3	6/4	6/3	6/3	6/3	7/4	7/5	7/5
Freezing Level*	1300m	600m	700m	600m	600m	700m	900m	1100m	1100m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Strong summit winds will lead to a risk of significant wind chill, gales expected on the higher Munro tops at times

Forecast for Monday 17 Jan 2022

Weather: A ridge of high pressure across the Highlands will give a mainly dry day. Some low cloud and coastal drizzle across the north and west at first, this tending to break and clear from the south by late morning to leave some good spells of sunshine.

Maximum wind: West to Southwesterly 25 to 35 mph

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Poor in low cloud across the west and north of the area in the morning down to 450 metres, this tending to clear by late morning from the south. Otherwise generally good visibility.

Visibility: Generally very good with great air clarity

Temperature: Glens: Plus 2 rising to 8 Celsius

At 800m: Plus 6 Celsius

Freezing level: 1000 to 1500 metres, rising to 2000 metres late in the day